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WASHINGTON, DC 20224

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Dear Taylor Amarel Scott:

I am responding to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated August 9, 2019 that we received on August 16, 2019.

I am unable to send the information you requested by September 16, 2019, which is the 20 business-day period allowed by law. I apologize for any inconvenience this delay may cause.

**STATUTORY EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE**

The FOIA allows an additional ten-day statutory extension in certain circumstances. To complete your request, I need additional time to search for, collect, and review responsive records from other locations. We have extended the statutory response date to September 30, 2019, after which you can file suit. An administrative appeal is limited to a denial of records, so it does not apply in this situation.

**REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME**

Unfortunately, we will still be unable to locate and consider release of the requested records by September 30, 2019. We have extended the response date to November 12, 2019, when we believe we can provide a final response.

You do not need to reply to this letter if you agree to this extension. You may wish to consider limiting the scope of your request so that we can process it more quickly. If you want to limit your request, please contact the individual named below. If we subsequently deny your request, you still have the right to file an administrative appeal.

You may file suit if you do not agree to an extension beyond the statutory period. Your suit may be filed in the U.S. District Court:

- Where you reside or have your principal place of business

- Where the records are located, or
- In the District of Columbia

You may file suit after September 30, 2019. Your complaint will be treated according to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure applicable to actions against an agency of the United States. These procedures require that the IRS be notified of the pending suit through service of process, which should be directed to:

Commissioner of Internal Revenue  
Attention: CC:PA: Br 6/7  
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20224

The FOIA provides access to existing records. Extending the time period for responding to your request will not delay or postpone any administrative, examination, investigation or collection action.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, David Nimmo, to discuss your request at:

Internal Revenue Service  
24000 Avila Road, M/S 2201 (Rm 3156),  
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677-3405  
Telephone: (949) 575-6328

The FOIA Public Liaison responds to FOIA and Privacy Act requests for copies of documents maintained by the IRS. There is no provision in either Act to resolve tax, collection, or processing issues and our staff is not trained to answer questions regarding those issues. If you need assistance with tax related issues you may call the IRS toll free number at 1-800-829-1040.

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through the FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration  
8601 Adelphi Road--OGIS  
College Park, MD 20740-6001  
202-741-5770  
877-684-6448  
[ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov)  
[ogis.archives.gov](http://ogis.archives.gov)

If you have any questions please call me, ID # 1000591343, at 617-316-2271 or write to: Internal Revenue Service, Centralized Processing Unit-Stop 211, Post Office Box 621506, Atlanta GA 30362. Please refer to case number F19228-0035.

Sincerely,



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